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In re Application of:

Ricardo de Carvalho, M.D.

Serial No.: 10/801,508

Filing Date: March 15, 2004

For: AN IMPLANTABLE AND
SEALABLE MEDICAL DEVICE
FOR UNIDIRECTIONAL
DELIVERY OF THERAPEUTIC
AGENTS TO TISSUES

Examiner: To be assigned

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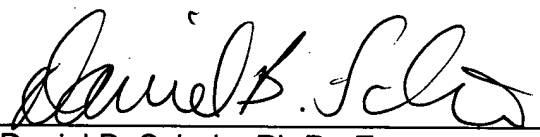
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